

What is claimed is:

1. A dispenser comprising a roll of a film of orally dissolving material peelably affixed to a support surface; at least one set of notches formed on an edge of said support surface; a cylindrical support for receiving said roll therein, a slot formed on
5 said cylindrical support for permitting a portion of said roll to protrude therefrom, a first plurality of teeth formed on said cylindrical support surface for engaging said notches; a second plurality of teeth formed on said cylindrical support surface forming a pinion gear; rack gear means cooperating with said pinion gear for rotating said cylindrical support; keeper arm means for continuously maintaining tension on said roll; at least
10 two teeth mounted on said keeper arm means for limiting directional movement of a portion of said support surface; and peeling means formed adjacent said keeper arm means for peelably removing said film from said carrier.
2. The dispenser of claim 1 further including film cutting means formed adjacent to said peeling means for cutting a portion of said film to a predetermined size.
- 15 3. The dispenser of claim 2 further including hopper means formed adjacent to said film cutting means for receiving said film portion.
4. A dispenser for rolled material comprising: a housing having a top portion and a bottom portion, spring means connected between said top portion and said bottom portion for permitting said top portion to be manually depressed onto said bottom
20 portion; a cylindrical carrier for rolled material mounted in said bottom portion; rack and pinion gear means for rotating said cylindrical carrier when said top portion is manually depressed; said rack and pinion gear means including gear teeth formed on said cylindrical carrier and rack means engaging said gear connected to said top portion; and

cutting means mounted in said top portion for cutting dispensed rolled material when said top portion is depressed onto said bottom portion.

5. The dispenser of claim 4 further including hopper means formed on said bottom portion adjacent said cutting means for receiving the cut rolled material.

5 6. The dispenser of claim 5 further including a material storage chamber formed in said bottom portion.

7. The dispenser of claim 6 further including a roll of material to be dispensed mounted on said cylindrical carrier, said roll having two layers, a first layer having at least one row of notches formed at one edge thereof and a second layer mounted on said
10 first layer; a plurality of teeth mounted on said cylindrical carrier for engaging said notches and advancing said material when said top portion is depressed onto said bottom portion.

8. The dispenser of claim 7 further including separating means mounted in said bottom portion adjacent said cutting means for separating said first layer from said
15 second layer and directing said first layer into said material storage chamber and said second layer into said hopper.

9. The dispenser of claim 7 further including means for preventing said roll from turning in a second direction including floating keeper arm means mounted in said bottom portion for continuously maintaining tension on said roll and means mounted on
20 said floating keeper arm means for engaging said notches.

10. A dispenser for rolled material comprising: a housing having an upper portion and an lower portion, said upper portion being movable onto said lower portion; spring means connected to said upper portion and said lower portion for maintaining said

portions in a first position; cutting means mounted in said upper portion for cutting a portion of said rolled material; a rotatable cylindrical support for rolled material mounted in said lower portion; gear means connected to said upper portion and said rotatable cylindrical support for rotating said cylindrical support and cutting a portion of said rolled material when said upper portion is moved onto said lower portion; and means mounted in said lower portion for limiting bi-directional movement of said rolled material.

11. The dispenser of claim 10 wherein said bi-directional movement limiting means includes means for continuously maintaining tension on said rolled material.

10 12. The dispenser of claim 11 wherein said bi-directional movement limiting means includes teeth for engaging said rolled material.

13. The dispenser of claim 12 wherein said gear means includes a rack connected to said upper portion and a pinion formed on said cylindrical support.

14. The dispenser of claim 13 further including separating means formed in said lower portion adjacent said cutting means for separating said rolled material into two parts and providing one of said parts to said cutting means.

15. The dispenser of claim 14 further including a storage chamber formed in said lower portion for receiving and storing the other of said parts of said rolled material.

16. The dispenser of claim 15 further including a roll of material to be dispensed, said roll being formed of a carrier part and a film part, said film part peelably engaging said carrier part.

17. The dispenser of claim 16 wherein said carrier part includes a plurality of notches for engaging said teeth.